## Executive Order 05-34



WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is requesting assistance in relocating disaster victims from those States impacted by Hurricane Rita to the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, FEMA has asked Missouri to provide any necessary support, to include, personnel, equipment, and resources, in order to provide for the efficient operation of this relocation effort; and

WHEREAS, this relocation effort is necessary to help relieve the condition of distress and hazard to the safety and welfare of our fellow Americans; and

WHEREAS, it is beyond the capabilities of the affected States to effectively handle the large numbers of disaster victims; and

WHEREAS, the influx of large numbers of disaster victims from the States impacted by Hurricane Rita will have a significant impact on the citizens and resources of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of the State requires an invocation of the provisions of Section 41.480.2 RSMo.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Matt Blunt, Governor of the State of Missouri, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Missouri, including Section 41.480.2 RSMo, order and direct the Adjutant General of the State of Missouri, or his designee, to forthwith call and order into active service such portions of the organized militia as he deems necessary to aid the executive officials of Missouri, to protect life and property, and it is further ordered and directed that the Adjutant General or his designee, and through him, the commanding officer of any unit or other organization of such organized militia so called into active service take such action and employ such equipment as may be necessary in support of civilian authorities, and provide such assistance as may be authorized and directed by the Governor of this State.

This order shall terminate on October 31, 2005, unless extended in whole or in part.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2005.

Matt Blunt Governor

Robin Carnahan Secretary of State